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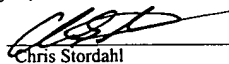
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D. C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In connection with the above-identified application filed herewith, please enter the following preliminary amendment:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amended the claims as follows:

3. (AMENDED) A pharmaceutical composition as claimed in claim 1 wherein the enteric polymer employed for coating the gelatin shell is selected from polymers such as hydroxypropyl methyl cellulose phthalate, alkyl methacrylate and methacrylic acid copolymers, polyvinyl acetate phthalate and the like in the form of free acid or their ammonia or alkali metal salts and the amount employed ranging from 5.0 to 40.0 percent, preferably 5.0 to 25.0 percent by weight, with reference to the dried shell.